

present session, reported, that the said committee, had discharged the duty assigned them, and that the Governor requested them to say that he would accordingly attend in the senate chamber at the time appointed, for the purpose above mentioned.

The hour having arrived for taking up the orders of the day, the house proceeded to consider the bill reported by Mr. Merrick, chairman of the committee on ways and means, entitled, an act to provide ways and means to complete the work of internal improvement, and to promote the agriculture, commerce and manufactures of this State.

On motion of Mr. Merrick said bill was amended, by inserting after the word 'valley,' in the 21st line of the 1st section, the following,

'Any thing in said stipulation, or in any act of Assembly contained to the contrary notwithstanding.'

On motion of Mr. Merrick said section was further amended, by inserting after the word 'terms,' in the 61st line thereof, the following,

'And shall have full power and are hereby required to make such modification in the location of said Canal, at said part or parts as they may deem necessary to the joint construction of said two works, in the most economical and best practicable manner for both.

On motion of Mr. Merrick said bill was further amended, by adding at the end of the 1st section thereof, the following,

'And wherever it may become necessary to construct permanent bridges for the passage of said rail road across said Canal, and the said two companies cannot agree upon the elevation and mode of constructing said bridges, the same shall be determined by said commissioners, whose decision shall be binding and final.'

Mr. Duckett moved further to amend said bill, by inserting after the word 'ferry,' in the 34th line of the 3d section, the following,

'Provided that no payment shall be made on account of the subscription hereby authorised to be made to the capital stock of the Baltimore and Ohio rail road company, until after an equal payment shall have been made on all other subscriptions to the stock of said company. And provided, that the subscription hereby authorised on the part of the State, shall be applied in the first place to the construction of so much of the said rail road, as shall lie westward of Cumberland.'